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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

- 1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
 - Claims 1-13, drawn to a method of forming an electrical interconnection, classified in class 29, subclass 832.
- II. Claims 14-19, drawn to a contact, classified in class 174, subclass 75f.

 The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:
- 2. Inventions I and II are unrelated. Inventions are unrelated if it can be shown that they are not disclosed as capable of use together and they have different modes of operation, different functions, or different effects (MPEP § 806.04, MPEP § 808.01). In the instant case the different inventions have different functions.
- 3. This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Claims of Group I with -

Species e drawn to method of figures 5A and 5B with 1A and 1B

Species f drawn to method of figures 6A, 6B and 6C with 1A, 1B, 1C and 10

Species g drawn to method of figures 7 with 4A, 4B and 4C

Species h drawn to method of figures 8A, 8B and 8C with 4A, 4B and 4C

Species i drawn to method with figure 11

Claims of Group II with -

Species a drawn to contact of figures 1A, 1B, 1C and 10 Species b drawn to contact of figures 2A, 2B and 2C

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Species c drawn to contact of figures 3A, 3B and 3C

Species d drawn to contact of figures 4A, 4B and 4C

Species j drawn to contact of figure 12.

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, no claim is generic.

Applicant is advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with this requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a).

Should applicant traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.

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4. A telephone call was not made to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement, due to the complexity of this restriction.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jinhee J Lee whose telephone number is 703-306-0154. The examiner can normally be reached on M, T, Th and F at 6:30AM-5PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dean A Reichard can be reached on 703-308-3682. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-872-9318 for regular communications and 703-872-9319 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0956.

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